

Ordinance No. 21

[Traffic]

An Ordinance Regulating the Use of Highways Within the Village of Medicine Lake, and Imposing Penalties For the Violation Thereof.

The Village Council of the Village of Medicine Lake do ordain as follows:

Section .01: Careless Driving

No person shall operate or halt any vehicle upon a street or highway within the Village of Medicine Lake, Minnesota, carelessly or heedlessly in disregard of the rights or safety of others or in a manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property.

Section .02: Speed Regulations

- (a) No person driving a vehicle within the Village of Medicine Lake shall drive the same at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing. In every event speed shall be so restricted as may be necessary in order to avoid colliding with any person, vehicle or other conveyance on or entering the highway in compliance with legal requirements and the duty of all persons to use due care.
- (b) Until the streets of this village have been zoned as authorized by the state highway traffic regulation act, no vehicle shall be driven thereon at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour. After the streets of the city have been zoned and different speed zones established thereof, and signs have been posted calling attention to such zones, no vehicle shall be driven upon any street in the city at a speed greater than that indicated on such signs. No person shall drive a vehicle at such a slow rate of speed or in a manner so as wilfully to impede the normal flow of traffic.

Section .03: Parking Regulations

Every vehicle parked upon any street with a curb shall be parked parallel to the curb and with the right hand wheels of such vehicle within twelve inches of the curb. On other streets a vehicle shall be parked to the right of the main traveled portion thereof and parallel thereto and in such a manner as not to interfere with the free flow of traffic. This shall not apply, however, to any vehicle disabled upon any street, but any police officer of the village may require the person in charge thereof to move it to a place of safety; and if such movement is not made or if any motor vehicle is left alone or abandoned in any such position, the officer may provide for the removal of such vehicle to the nearest convenient garage or other place of safe keeping. Under this ordinance the Village Council shall have the power to designate "No Parking" areas and such areas shall be properly posted with "No Parking" signs.

Section .04: Through Streets and Stop Intersections

The Village Council may designate any street by resolution as a through street and any intersection as a stop intersection where necessary to preserve the free flow of traffic and prevent accidents; and the Chief of Police shall post appropriate signs at the entrance to such streets or

intersections. But no trunk highway shall be designated as a stop intersection unless the consent of the Commissioner of Highways to such designation is first secured. Every driver of a vehicle shall bring his vehicle to a full stop before entering any stop street or intersection properly designated and posted as such by the Commissioner of Highways or the Chief of Police.

Section .05: **Chapter 464, Laws of Minnesota**

Chapter 464, Laws of Minnesota, 1937, known as "Highway Traffic Regulation Act," as amended by Chapter 430, Laws of Minnesota, 1939, is hereby referred to and made a part of this ordinance. Any person, firm or corporation who shall fail to comply with any provision or requirement of said Act or who shall violate any provision or requirement thereof within the Village of Medicine Lake shall be guilty of a violation of this ordinance. Every complaint charging such offense shall specify the section of said Highway Traffic Regulation Act violated by reference to the number or letter designating such section therein and shall allege that the violation of such section of said Act is a violation of this ordinance.

Section .06: **Penalty**

Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$100 or by imprisonment for a period not to exceed 90 days.

Section .07: **Effective**

This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its publication.

Passed by the Village Council November 7th, 1949.

Chas. Brudigan, President of Village Council

Attest: Chas. Pauly, Village Clerk